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ExaminerAnthony T. Ton
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10 Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR DYNAMIC COMMAND
QUEUE DEPTH ADJUSTMENT FOR STORAGE AREA
NETWORK NODES

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JANUARY 5, 2004

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed
25 January 5, 2004 ("the Action"). Please amend the above-identified
application in accordance with the directions set forth below. The format of
this communication is in accordance with the Pre-OG press release titled
"Amendments in a Revised Format Now Permitted" ("revised amendment
format"), as set forth in the News and Notices section of the official website
30 of the United States Patent and Trademark Office (PTO).

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Corrected formal drawings are submitted herewith.



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Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

- (X) Response/Amendment () Petition to extend time to respond
() New fee as calculated below () Supplemental Declaration
(X) No additional fee (Address envelope to "Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment")
(X) Other: Formal Drawings and Transmittal (fee \$)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY						
(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEES
TOTAL CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$86	\$ 0
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$290	\$ 0
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OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

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Enclosed herewith please find:

- () _____ sheets of redlined drawing(s) which indicate proposed changes to the drawing(s). Upon approval of these proposed changes, formal drawing(s) will be submitted.
- () _____ sheets of corrected formal drawing(s), as required by the Notice of Patent Drawings Objection (PTO-948) which accompanied the Office Action dated _____.
- () _____ sheets of corrected formal drawing(s), as required by the Notice of Patent Drawings Objection (PTO-948) and approved in the Notice of Allowability dated _____.
- (X) 13 sheets of formal drawing(s). Please substitute these formal drawing(s) for the informal drawing(s) originally filed.
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Examiner's approval of the entry of these drawings is respectfully requested. No new matter has been added.

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